



International Oil Pollution
Compensation Funds

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TRANSFER WITHIN THE 2022 BUDGET

1992 FUND

Note by the Director

Summary:	The 2022 budget appropriation for 'Travel' (Chapter IV) (document IOPC/NOV21/9/1/1, paragraph 5.10), will not cover the cost of travel undertaken by the Secretariat through 2022. The additional cost of £20 000 is proposed to be met by a transfer from Chapter I (Personnel).
Action to be taken:	<u>1992 Fund Assembly</u> Decide whether to authorise the Director to make the necessary transfer to 'Travel' (Chapter IV) from Chapter I (Personnel) within the 2022 budget.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Director's authority to make transfers within the budget is governed by Financial Regulation 6.3 of the 1992 Fund, which reads:

'Transfers between appropriations within chapters of the budget (Roman figures) may be made without limitation. Transfers between appropriations in the budget between chapters may be made up to 10%, calculated on the appropriation to which the transfer is made.'

- 1.2 In previous financial periods, transfers have been made between appropriations either within chapters or between chapters of the budget, in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.3.

2 Travel

- 2.1 The budget appropriation for 2022 for 'Travel' (Chapter IV) was £100 000 (document IOPC/NOV21/9/1/1, paragraph 5.10). It is expected that this will not be enough to cover the cost of travel undertaken by the Secretariat through 2022.
- 2.2 Chapter IV covers travel for the purpose of meeting Member State authorities, attending conferences and conducting outreach activities. It does not include travel costs associated with home leave, the Audit Body or incident related travel.
- 2.3 The budget for travel was set at £150 000 for the years 2018 to 2020 but was reduced in 2021 and 2022 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. One trip was taken in early 2020 and none in 2021.
- 2.4 The Secretariat resumed travel activities in 2022, with non-incident related travel to, among others, Greece, Japan, India, Ghana and Singapore. Travel costs have risen steeply following the pandemic, with

airfares and hotel price rises exceeding inflation.

- 2.5 It is estimated that the out-turn figure for 2022 under the budget appropriation for 'Travel' will be some £120 000, exceeding the budget by 20% due to increased frequency and rising costs.
- 2.6 Under Financial Regulation 6.3, the Director is entitled to make a transfer of £10 000 (i.e. 10% of the budget for 'Travel' of £100 000). It is estimated that there will be a shortfall of £20 000, which is beyond what is available to the Director under Financial Regulation 6.3.

Director's proposal

- 2.7 The Director proposes that he be authorised to make the required transfer to meet any shortfall to the budget appropriation of 'Travel' (Chapter IV) from Chapter I (Personnel).

3 Action to be taken

1992 Fund Assembly

The 1992 Fund Assembly is invited to decide whether to authorise the Director to make the necessary transfer to 'Travel' (Chapter IV) from Chapter I (Personnel) within the 2022 budget.
